റാവു സാഹിബ് ഐ. എൻ. മേനോൻ *(Director of Public Instruction)*.— ചിറ്റൂർ താലൂക്കിൽ ചില ഭാഗങ്ങളിൽ വിദ്യാലയങ്ങളിൽ പോകുന്ന കുട്ടികളുടെ സംഖ്യ കുറച്ചു കുറയാണെന്നു കാണുകയുള്ളൂ. അല്ലാതെ ഒട്ടാകെയില്ല.

Staff Selection Board—Muslim applicants—particulars regarding.

൨൦൭. മിസ്റ്റർ വി. കെ. കുട്ടി *(Muslims)*.— താഴെപറയുന്ന ചോദ്യങ്ങൾക്കു ഗവൺമെൻറു ദയവായി മറുപടി പറയുമോ.—

(എ) ഉദ്യോഗങ്ങൾക്കായി സ്റ്റാഫ് സെലക്ഷൻ ബോർഡിൽ എത്ര മുസ്ലീമിങ്ങൾ അപേക്ഷകരം അയച്ചിട്ടുണ്ട്;

(ബി) അവരിൽ എത്രപേർ ബി. എ. ബിരുദധാരികളാണ്;

(സി) അവരിൽ എത്രപേരെ ഇതുവരെ നിയമിച്ചിട്ടുണ്ട്;

(ഡി) എത്ര മുസ്ലീമിങ്ങളുടെ അപേക്ഷകരം ഇപ്പോൾ നിലവിലുണ്ട്;

(ഇ) അവ ആരുടേതെല്ലാമാണ്?

മിസ്റ്റർ ടി. എസ്സ്. നാരായണയ്യർ *(Secretary to Government)*.—

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(ഇ) Vide Appendix. *(Appendix I)*

Travancore Legislatures—Matters regarding Cochin Harbour—discussion of.

206. Mr. Shabdai S. Koder *(Jews-Special)*.—Will the Government be pleased to state whether they are aware that matters relating to the Cochin Harbour are now discussable in the Travancore Legislatures?

Mr. T. S. Narayana Ayyar *(Secretary to Government)*.—Government have no information.

Mr. Shabdai S. Koder *(Jews Special)*.—Was not this matter published in the Travancore Government Gazette?

Mr. T. S. Narayana Ayyar *(Secretary to Government)*.—I am not aware. I had occasion to peruse the proceedings of

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the Travancore Legislative Council. The only reference I came upon was to the recent settlement of the Cochin Harbour question. Hon'ble Members there wanted a full statement on this question by the President in view of the fact that a statement had been made by the Diwan of Cochin in the Cochin Legislative Council on the settlement. The Diwan of Travancore pointed out that it was premature as the negotiations had not been finally concluded.

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim *(Cranganur)*.—Am I right in thinking that the Hon'ble Secretary was saying that the Members were allowed to discuss these things?

Mr. T. S. Narayana Ayyar *(Secretary to Government)*.—It was only a request to elicit information regarding a matter which was fully disclosed in the sister State and in which that State was a partner.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan *(Vadakkancheri)*.—May I know whether the Government have any objection to remove the taboo on the discussion of the Harbour question?

Mr. T. S. Narayana Ayyar *(Secretary to Government)*.—The provisions of the Regulation cannot be discussed in this Council.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan *(Vadakkancheri)*.— My question is whether the Government has any objection to remove the taboo on this question?

Mr. T. S. Narayana Ayyar *(Secretary to Government)*.—That is making the provisions of the Regulation available for discussion. Such subjects are removed from the cognizance of the Council whether by way of interpellation or discussion.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan *(Vadakkancheri)*.— I know that there is a taboo upon it. My inquiry is whether Government has any objection to remove it?

Mr. T. S. Narayana Ayyar *(Secretary to Government)*.—Government have no idea at present.

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim *(Cranganur)*.—In view of the fact that the Government is on the eve of launching on some constitutional reforms which was clearly forecasted in the Diwan President's assurance, will the Government sympathetically consider this aspect of the question?

Mr. President.—The silence on the part of the Diwan is neither acquiescence nor refusal.

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